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RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION DATED SEPTEMBER 22, 2006

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated September 22, 2006, please amend the application as follows and consider the following remarks.

Amendments to the claims are reflected in the listing of claims, which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 11 of this paper.